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King County
Department of Development and Environmental Services
Attn: Paul Reitenbach
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RE: Input concerning 2011 Update of King County Countywide Planning Policies

Dear Mr. Reitenbach:

It is the District's understanding that the Growth Management Planning Council (GMPC) is in the process of updating the Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs) to include VISION 2040, revised population, housing and employment growth targets, and general updates to the current CPPs. This updating is certainly due since the 1992-2012 planning period is near the end. We also appreciate that you have a lot on your plate by proposing updates to 7 of the CPP chapters.

The District would like to take this opportunity to suggest a slight revision to the chapter titled, "Public Facilities and Services" draft version dated April 27, 2011. Under the section labeled Collaboration Among Jurisdictions, found in this chapter, is PFS-3. It is our suggestion that PFS-3 be reworded to acknowledge that special purpose districts **and** cities are the appropriate providers of services in the Urban Growth Area (UGA). This would be consistent with the statements made the paragraph found between PFS-1 and PFS-2.

We can appreciate the future challenges we will all face together and the need to collaborate in order to meet these challenges head-on. The special purpose districts of King County are in constant collaboration with the County to ensure high-quality, reliable services that support the County and the regions growth strategy.

Sincerely,

President, Vince Koester

Secretary, George Landon

Commissioner, Jack Hendrickson